

state selection means for selecting said light emission state of said electro-optical panel during said first mode, and said light transmission state of said electro-optical panel during said second mode,

wherein during said first mode, said electro-optical structure emits light from said electro-optical panel,

further wherein during said second mode, said electro-optical panel permits light produced from an external source to be transmitted through said electro-optical panel without substantial scattering.

further wherein said light producing means comprises a layer of electroluminescent material interposed between first and second optically transparent conducting electrode layers;

further wherein said first and second optically transparent conducting electrode layers are disposed against first and second optically transparent panels, respectively; and

further wherein said layer of electroluminescent material is optically transparent in said light transmission state.

REMARKS

This is a response to Office Action dated March 28, 2001 in which a shortened period of three months was set. The Applicant has amended the above referenced Application.

The Examiner rejected Claims 1 under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claim 1 of US Patent No. 6,104,447. A Terminal Disclaimer is attached.

The Examiner rejected Claims 1 and 2-7 under 35 USC 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. The applicant corrected the Claim 1 concern within amended Claim 2.